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### RIAL EDI T 0

LET THE THINKING PEOPLE RULE!

# SOMEBODY MUST PAY

F wages of railroad men are increased, railroad rates must be increased or our railways go into bankruptcy. One-sixth of their mileage is now in receivers' hands. What more need be said?

If the wages of coal miners are increased, the wages of coal miners are increased, the public must pay more for its coal bills. Let it not complain in future if it now silently acquiesces in the miners' demands for higher wages and shorter hours.

If wages go up and working hours are cut down, the cost of living must increase for the ultimate consumer foots the bill every time.

If the public is willing to pay the increase that the railroad men and coal miners ask, there need be no trouble unless meddlesome demagogues deliberately create it.

If labor and capital would unite to drive the demagogues out of business and give the people a rest, there would need be no complaint about the cost of living. Amid the general prosperity, everybody would be able and willing to foot the bill.

And the dinner pail would be fuller and the

pay envelope larger.

The disturbing demagogue must go!

# THE DAY OF BIG THINGS

IN the case of every trust the government has "busted," the price of the commodities it produced has gone up.

This is the day of big men, big corporations, big

buildings, big ships, big cars, big pay envelopes. The day of small things has passed away, and the attempt to restore prosperity to the country by dissolutions and disintegrations is foredoomed to failure. Such a program runs in the face of the policy of countries which are forging most rapidly ahead.

It aims at the destruction of the very institutions which have given us our place among the leading

In world commerce it is the big combination that is qualified to secure a share of trade for itself and the country it represents.

Big trade always means big wages big pay envelopes and plenty of work.

# UNBELIEVABLE!

"Children infested with vermin." "Sanitary arrangements filthy." These are the descriptive words reporting the condition of certain private institutions for children in the great city of New York. The Tribune says, "They indicate that the horrors that Dickens wrote about have survived into the twentieth century." Yet these private institutions were supposed to be under State supervision. If Governor Whitman does not call his State Board of Charities to strict account, he must share the blame of this awful situation.

But for the courage and sincerity of purpose of Mayor Mitchel in directing his Commissioner of Charities, John A. Kingsbury, and the latter's deputy, William J. Doherty, to make a thorough investigation of the conduct of these private institutions, regardless of the opposition of the State Board of Charities and of the powerful influences which sectarian institutions always command, these thousands of helpless orphan and dependent children these thousands of helpless orphan and dependent children would still be undergoing terrible hardship and suffering. The peculiar fact is developed that these institutions were not founded altogether for charitable purposes but that some of them sought a profit from the public appropriations they received. As the amount of these appropriations depended upon the number of children cared for, a constant effort was made to increase the number of inmates rather than to provide them with good homes.

A more startling charter has never been written in the

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A more startling chapter has never been written in the history of New York's misrule, yet the daily newspapers have been singularly indifferent to the exposure. Had any great corporation inflicted one-half the hardships that the innocent children of these institutions have suffered, pages with blazing headlines would have been devoted to deserved denunciations of the taskmasters.

### A STIRRING APPEAL BY HON. ELIHU ROOT OF NEW YORK

OW shall we play our part in the world? Have selfish living and factional quarreling and easy prosperity obscured the spiritual vision of our country? Has the patriotism of a generation never summoned to sacrifice become lifeless? Is our nation one, or a discordant multi-tude? Have we still national ideals? Will anybody live for them? Would anybody die for them? Or are we all for ease and comfort and wealth at any price?

# "GET A MOVE ON!"

PRESIDENT WILSON recently told the National Chamber of Commerce of the United States that the business men of this country must "get a move the business men of this country must "get a move on." This is an expressive, but not an elegant, phrase, yet it was time that somebody said it. While the President was speaking, Senator Tillman was trying to cripple the munitions plants of the United States by demanding an appropriation of \$11,000,000 to put the Government into competition with them and some of the President's friends were urging the passage of a bill appropriating \$50,000,000 to enable the Government to go into the ship-

The claim is made that other maritime nations of the world own and control their merchant marine. Senator Gallinger, one of the most experienced of our public men, has exploded this statement by showing that the merchant fleets of all the great nations, including Great Britain, Germany, Japan and France, are held entirely under private ownership and that, if the United States goes into the shipping business, it will be the first great nation to enter upon that line of work.

There is a great dearth of shipping at present, and every shippard is crowded with work because of the sudden demand for facilities created by the war, and Secretary Redfield himself has confessed that it is doubtful whether the Government can build or buy any new vessels before the end of 1917. By that time, in the belief of the most thoughtful observers, the war will be over and the emer-

gency passed.

Business men would "get a move on" if Congress would let them.

### LET THE PEOPLE RULE!

WASHING and ironing are to be taught the high school girls in a Connecticut city.

One per cent. of the population of New York was con-icted of crime during the past year.

A graduate of Edinburgh University, a mathematician,

linguist and former British army surgeon was arrested in New York recently for begging.

in New York recently for begging.

A Virginia legislator wants a law forbidding women to appear in public with skirts that do not reach within four inches of the ground. He says that "short skirts and low-cut waists are the reason why men go wrong."

A member of a building and loan association in New York who paid §1,800 into its treasury was compelled to pay it over again because the first check was made out personally to the secretary of the association, who ran away with it

The suffragettes of Topeka, Kansas, charge President Wilson with discourtesy in refusing to receive a delegation of 100 women voters while he was on his recent visit to that city. The President's secretary said "the women

wanted to ask too many questions."

Two waitresses at Des Moines, Iowa, who received tips of \$5 each from Mrs. Wilson, and two messenger boys who received from the President tips of 5 and 10 cents respectively have been notified that under the Anti-

cents respectively have been notified that under the Antitipping law of Iowa, they must return the tips or regard
them only as souvenirs. If they spent the money, the President and Mrs. Wilson could be prosecuted.

A "murder trust" is charged with the mysterious murders of longshoremen in New York City. The New York
Herald reports that investigation disclosed that "murder
at \$10 a head has been the most active and successful
agent in persuading longshoremen to become members
of a union organized ostensibly for their welfare." a union organized ostensibly for their welfare."
Let the thinking people rule.

# THE PLAIN TRUTH

ROOT! At the head of the list of the few surviving statesmen of eminence and experience in the United States, by general consent stands the Hon. Elihu Root of New York, hale and hearty on his seventy-first birthday. As Minister of War, under President McKinley, Secretary of State under Roosevelt, and Senator from the State of New York Mr. Root made a record constituting a brilliant page of the history of his times. It is a record of which not only his State, but the nation is proud. The nation needs statesmen of the mould of Elihu Root and this is a time when conscription is in favor.

SENSIBLE! The entire force of the Albany and Troy, N. Y., Post Office employees at a recent meeting unanimously opposed the one-cent postage movement as too radical at a time when the Post Office Department is economizing to the utmost. It is incredible, while the Government faces a serious deficit, that any Congressman should propose to reduce the revenues still further by cutting the first-class postage rate in two. The propaganda for one-cent postage is carried on by a well-organized and well-paid bunch of crusaders who never forget on which side their bread is buttered.

QUESTION! The question is raised whether if the coal operators consent to the demand of the miners for the exclusion from the mines of all but one class of labor, the operators will not make themselves liable to the charge of having made a combination in restraint of trade. The plan adopted in Colorado by which organized or unorganized miners are recognized and given full freedom of action with representation in councils of conciliation and administration seems to be working well. Could it not meet the requirements of the acute situation threatit not meet the requirements of the acute situation threated in the mining field?

BRANDEIS! It is no small matter when the President D of Harvard University and fifty-four of the most distinguished citizens of Boston unite in a petition to the Senate of the United States against the confirmation of Senate of the United States against the confirmation of Louis B. Brandeis, on the ground that "we do not believe that Mr. Brandeis has the judicial temperament and capacity which should be required in a judge of the Supreme Court. His reputation as a lawyer is such that he has not the confidence of the people." President Wilson says he would be a back number if he did not change his mind when occasion required. No finer opportunity will ever present itself than he now finds.

COMMON SENSE! COMMON SENSE! Discussing Government owner-ship of railways that alert and thoughtful statesman, Senator Weeks of Massachusetts, points out that it would cost the United States \$15,000,000,000 to take over its railroads and that if the Government owned the railways there would be a loss in the taxes it now obtains amountthere would be a loss in the taxes it now obtains amounting to about \$140,000,000 a year. These are striking figures. They ought to make the people think. Senator Weeks might have added that while the Government is constantly fighting monopoly in forbidding railroads to pool their earnings, Government owned railways would constitute a complete monopoly. The inefficiency and extravagance of government ownership are undisputed, yet demagogues are constantly pleading for public ownership not only of the railways but also of the telegraphs and telephones, of course, at the people's expense.

NAVY! A captain of the United States Navy who of Leslie's" criticizes the expression of our recent editorial referring to the extravagance of those who spend their money "like drunken sailors." He says he is afraid that this may mislead some to think that the Navy is still manned by the oldtime sailor with his fondness for his daily grog. We hasten to correct any such impression. daily grog. We hasten to correct any such impression.

And it is in order to commend the action of the American sailor who recently arose and stood at attention, at a moving picture show in New York City, as the strains of moving picture show in New York City, as the strains of the national anthem were played and in answer to the cries of "Sit Down!" made this brief but impressive speech: "Ladies and Gentlemen, every enlisted man of the United States must stand at attention when the national anthem is played. Don't be blockheads by sitting down, clapping your hands and stamping your feet." The audi-ence arose, with cheers for the Army and Navy.

# ZEPPELINS RAIN DEATH ON PARIS

BY JAMES H. HARE, STAFF WAR PHOTOGRAPHER FOR LESLIE'S





WORK OF ONE BOMB IN A TENEMENT

The rear court or airshaft of a five-story tenement which was hit by a bomb. The windows were blown out, the walls shattered in places and a number of the occupants were killed or wounded.

### CRASHED INTO THE SUBWAY

Scene on a street—name suppressed by military censor—where a zeppelin bomb exploded just above the subway and blew a great hole in the pavement, blocking the roadway beneath. Mr. Hare had just arrived in Paris from Saloniki, and was spending his first night for months in peace and fancied security when the bombardment from the air occurred. It did not last more than a few minutes, but 36 people were killed and as many more seriously injured. The streets were crowded with citizens curious to see the zeppelin, but it was effectually concealed by the light fog. It probably operated at a height of 10,000 feet. It is not definitely known whether more than one airship took part in the bombardment.

SEE MR. HARE'S STORY OF THE RAID ON PAGE 271.



BURIED UNDER FALLEN WALLS

From the pile of debris in the courtyard several bodies were dug out, some of them being unrecognizable. The whole face of the house was blown away and few of the occupants escaped without some injury.

# WAR SCENES IN NEUTRAL GREECE

STAFF WAR PHOTOGRAPHER FOR LESLIE'S

ACTIVITIES OF THE FRENCH AND BRITISH AT SALONIKI





### SUNSET AT SALONIKI

SALONIKI

A remarkable view of the harbor that war has given a prominence second to none in the near East. It is thronged with ships that bring troops and supplies and carry away the sick and wounded. Reinforcements are still arriving and it is reported that the French are extending their French are extending their lines to the Serbian border.



### FRENCH TROOPS LAND

LAND
A familiar scene on the wharves of Saloniki, where perhaps a quarter of a million men, with their equipment and supplies, have been landed since last September. The French and British troops are being joined by reorganized Serbians, General Servail, the French commander, is in supreme authority in the city and surrounding district.



FATHER STAFFORD HOLDS SERVICE ON THE PLAINS OF GREECE

This Irish priest was one of the first men Mr. Hare met when he visited the British camp near Saloniki. "Are you the Jimmy Hare that made photographs for Collier's for so many years?"

aaked Father Stafford. Mr. Hare pleaded guilty. was one of my best friends," said the priest. "I I've hunted foxes with him in Ireland."

"Many's the time

### NEW ROADS FOR GREECE

GREECE
One result of the unwelcome visitors that
Greece is entertaining,
in the shape of the
Entente armies, will be
some good roads, constructed by French and
British soldiers—and
there are few places in
the world that need
them more. A vast
amount of work has
been done in making
the district ready for
defense against an
attack that may never
occur.

### WAR MAKERS ACTIVITIES OF

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# AUSTRI 'N TROOPS MARCH THROUGH MOUNTAIN ENOWS

A characteristic scene in the mountains of the Balkans, where winter fighting is particularly difficult, because of the rugged nature of the country and the heavy snows. Since the conquest of Serbia the Balkan campaign has been centered in Montenegro and Albania. The former country is practically all in the hands of the Austrians, who are advancing in Albania toward the port of Avlona, which is held by a small Italian expeditionary force. Remnants of the defeated Serbian and Montenegrin armies and bands of irregular Albanian tribeamen have borne the brunt of the resistance to the Austrian invaders. The royal family of Montenegro has sought asylum in France, although the Queen of Italy is the daughter of the King and Queen of Montenegro.



GERMAN SHELLS CAPTURED BY THE FRENCH AFTER SEVERE FIGHTING
The spoils of war, in these modern times, consist largely of artillery and ammunition. After one of their successful advances in the Champagne country the Territorials and placed in piles, one of which

# an shells, which were sorted by

# AGED QUEEN

AGED QUEEN
VISITS
WOUNDED

Queen Milena, of Montenegro, although well
advanced in years, has
taken a deep interest
in the fortunes of the
army and until driven
out of her country
was active in bospital
work. She is here
shown walking with
the wounded soldiers
in the garden surrounding a hospital
The Montenegrins are
descended from the
nobility of the old
Serbian nation, who
were driven into the
mountains by the conquering Turks 500
years ago.

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# WITH THE GERMANS IN FRANCE

PHOTOGRAPHS BY EBERTH



# A CAMPFIRE IN THE VOSGES

German troops along the Western front are not frequently in camp, as every effort is made to house them in villages and towns. In the mountains, however, where the population is sparse and the towns far apart, it is often impossible to find shelter. A little camp life is enjoyable, but the European soldier, as a rule, abhors the bivouse. It is a maxim in the French army that "the worst billet is better than the best cantonment."



# WHO CARES FOR WET FEET

German soldiers fording a stream on the Western front. Notwithstanding many exposures soldiers, especially in this war, have less sickness than civilians. The Dardanelles campaign was one exception to the almost universal good health of the armies, and the epidemic of typhus in Austria and Serbia was the other.

# PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT



### DOES NOT CARE TO LIVE LONGER

Mrs. Mary Sage, of Darrowsville, N. Y., who is at least 105 years old and able to do her own housework, declared recently that her faith in God had given her unusual length of years, but that she did not care to live longer. She was baptised in England in 1810, but does not know how old she was then. On the day she was interviewed she had done the family washing. She 'asys she wouldn't vote if she could, that women's fashions are wicked, and that the Allies will win.



ANTARCTIC EXPLORER WEDS

Commander Evans, who accompanied the late Captain Scott, R. N., on his expedition to the South Pole, was married recently to Miss Elsa Ardvord, the ceremony taking place in London. Commander Evans is on active duty with the British North Sea fleet, and after a short honeymoon, returned to his ship,



# PRACTICES

PRACTICES
MEDICINE AT 94
Canton, Kans., claims to
have the oldest physician
in active practice in the
United States, in the person of Dr. Charles Hedinters, who answers calls by son of Dr. Charles Hedinger, who answers calls by night or day just as he did 50 years ago. The day his photograph was obtained by a representative of Lestle's he drove 18 miles into the country with the temperature 4 below zero.

# CHEATED DEATH

CHEATED DEATH

Mrs. St. Clair Stobart, a frail
English woman who is now
recuperating in Dorset, has had a
lifetime of adventure in the past
18 months. She was sentenced to
death as a spy in Brussels, but
escaped the German authorities
and went to Serbia as a nurse,
where she had trophy and recovand went to Serbia as a nurse, where she had typhus and recovered. During the Serbian retreat she nearly perished of exposure in the snows of the Balkan mountains, but despite her enfeebled condition managed to live through the unbelievable horrors of that trip. As soon as she recovers her strength she will again place her life at the service of her country.



EARNED \$230 FROM HER GARDEN

Alma Kutz received the highest award in the competition of the boys and girls of Cook County, Ill., in gardening. In all 1,732 children competed for a silver cup offered by the Cook County Garden and Field Club, and Alma won easily by producing a profit of \$250 from her garden. The total profit of all the contestants, who were school children, is placed at over \$25,600. Alma Kutz received the high-



MICHIGAN'S CHAMPION BIG PAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. William Shirkey, who live on a farm near St. Clair, Mich., are said to have eclipsed all State records for rearing la large family. They have 16 children, ranging in age from two and a half years to 23

ON BIG FAMILY
years. There are no twins nor triplets in the family and the children
are all bright and active and unusually healthy. There has never been
a death in the family. Mr. Shirkey is 54 years old and his wife 46.

YALE'S FOOTBALL HOPE

Will Tad Jones, the Blue's new coach, be able to put football upon as firm a footing as Yale rowing? That

is the question now

agitating New Haven.
Yale still remembers
Tad when he gave the
signals which directed
the play of the elsows
which Ted Coy led into

battle. Jones knows football from every angle, and has a well-

ekly

# SEEN IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

BY ED A. GOEWEY (THE OLD PAN)



A FARMER
WRESTLER
In contrast to the corpulent "rasslers" of the Far
East we show Joe Stecher, a twenty - two - year - old product of Nebraska, who product of Nebraska, who built up his magnificent physique by working on a farm. Joe has met and tossed several of the best mat performers in the country, and aspires to the title of world's catch-ascan char on, held by Frank Gotch



KONETCHY

BACK TO THE FOLD

When Percy Haughton recently paid \$18,000 for First Baseman Ed Konetchy and Pitchers Knetser

Ronetchy and Ronetchy and Pitchers Knetzer and Allen and added them to his Boston Team, he emphasized the fact that by-gones and that the hurts inflicted upon the national pastime by the Feds really had healed. Knetzer was the first player to jump to the "outlaws." He hopped from the Brooklyn outfit two years ago, and Allen followed suit from the same club when a salary raise was not forthcoming. "Koney," after being with the Cardinals for years, was sent to Pittsburgh, but a hitch over pay caused him to leap. The trio did excellent work with the now defunct league and should strengthen the Braves.

KNETZER



ORNAMENTAL

DECORATIVE BUT NOT ORNAMENTAL

These gentlemen, despite their peaceful attitude, represent the leading wrestling talent of Japan. Second from the left is Umegatani, the champion. To his right is his father-in-law, a retired wrestler, and to his left are Isenohama and Tamatsubaki, among the greatest "met artists" of the flowery kingdom. Umegatani, who, though but thirty-eight years old, has accumulated a fortune, is shown in his home just before the ceremony of Toshiyori, or cutting the hair, to denote that he has retired from active life. Wrestling in Japan takes place twice a year, in Jasuary and May, usually at Tokiyo, at the Temple of the Nameless Dead, where the burials were made after the great fire of 1657.



A QUEEN INDEED

Pan Zerata, H. S. Newman's wonderful six-year-old mare, recently demonstrated her right to the title, "Queen of the Turf," at the Fair Grounds, New Orleans, when she shouldered an impost of 140 pounds and beat a field of crack handicap sprinters over the five and a half furlong route. She made the distance in 1.06 1.5 and scored the fifty-ninth victory of her racing career out of 110 starts.



A NORWEGIAN BNOW QUEEN

Sking is the national pastime of the Scandinavian peoples, but it is at Holmenkollen, Christiania, that the "smart set" of the poothern countries "smart set" of the northern countries gather annually to en-joy to the full this healthful and exciting recreation. This fair daughter of Norway, recently snap-shotted at the famous resort, extra on example which sets an example which could be followed with profit by her American



A DAREDEVIL ON SKIS

Regnar Ontwedt, ski champion, was a sensational performer at the recent tournament at Lake Park, Mt. Horeb, Wis., where the daily attendance exceeded 5,000. Ontwedt became champion by covering 199 feet in the standing long distance jump.

# LET'S HOPE TIS TRUE

"A spring training school for major league umpires is to be organized."—News Despatch.

Oh, you men whose word was lawful,
Though your judgment was most awful,
You, who lacked all sense of humor—
Not to mention being blind:
Twas not strange (ans called you robbers,
More than binted you were jobbers—
Other faults we will not mention
Lest we seem a bit unkind.

But your bluffing days are over.
Ne'er again you'll strut in clover,
For the magnates, sluggish witted,
Have your number down at last.
Off to school each year they'll pack you,
You must learn or they will sack you,
Snap decisions, mi. ad with ego.
Will not go as in the past.

# THE TREND OF PUBLIC OPINION

### BY CHARLTON BATES STRAYER

THE ISSUE OF

N his masterly speech before the Republican State Convention of THE HOUR New York, ex-Senator Elihu Root spoke not only to his own party in the State and throughout the nation, but to all lovers of Amer-

ica irrespective of party. The New York *Times*, a steady supporter of the Administration, raises the query as to supporter of the Administration, raises the query as to whether Mr. Root had the "insight and the good fortune to make not merely a partisan speech but an American speech," and argues that if it is the latter, "the Democrats of the Administration and in Congress will do well to take heed of it." With dignity and restraint and yet with driving force that was terrific, Mr. Root showed the weak-ness and folly of our declines with Maxing of our declines. ness and folly of our dealings with Mexico, of our silence when Belgium was outraged, and the contempt into which our diplomacy has come through its handling of the issues raised by the European war. "No man," said he, "should draw a pistol who dares not shoot. The Government that shakes its first and its finger afterwards falls into contempt. Our diplomacy has lost its authority and influence because we have been brave in words and irresolute in action." The speaker drew greatest applause when speaking of our failure to protest against the violation of the neutrality of Belgium, he declared that if public opinion was then to remain silent, "all talk about peace and justice and international law and the rights of man, the progress of humanity and the spread of liberty is all idle patter—mere weak sentimentality." Instead of following the path of peace, Mr. Root pointed out that we have been blindly stumbling along the road that, continued, will lead

to inevitable war. Commenting on the Root speech, the New York Tribune says that the issue of the Tribune says that the issue of the next campaign will not be the tariff or Mr. Wilson's Mexican policy but "Americanism versus cowardice." It is not strange that the Times should say of the speech, "With this warning, confronted by a formidable foe with such challenges, it is imperative that the Democratic Administration and the Democratic Congress re-examine their positions." gress re-examine their positions

LINKING UP INDUSTRY

THE war is teaching its lessons. The FOR DEFENSE first lesson it brought to England was that she hadn't

sufficient munitions. Through her preparedness in this regard Germany came near winning the war Although Great Britain had the smallest army of any of the bel-ligerents, she was short of guns and explosives for even this small force. The most difficult war problem that Britain has had to work out has been the mobilizing

of industry, tuning up industrial plants to supply the armies sent to the front. We also have the preparedness issue creating as was to be expected, great division of opinion. The vital issue of industrial mobilization, however, has been approached by the President in a way that makes certain the best results. He has enlisted the members of the five leading scientific societies of the country, who have patriotically offered to give their time to secure an inventory of our national industries and to evolve

plans by which they may be linked

up to the national defense. Mr. W. L. Saunders, President of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, is enthusiastic over the scheme because it is thoroughly scientific and absolutely non-political. Referring to the scientific co-operation between the German government and national industries, Mr. Saunders said, "Getting right down to the and, Getting right down to the nub of things when you talk of preparedness for possible war, it resolves itself into the dictum: the chemist is king." England has been handicapped in the mobilization of her industries by belligerent attitude of the

trade unions. Mr. Howard E. Coffin, who announced to the Naval Consulting Board that he had already begun the mobilization of every industry in the country, declared that President Samuel Gompers had pledged the co-operation of the American Federation of Labor in perfecting the plan. A series of lectures on military engineering at the Engineering Societies' building in New York City under the auspices of the four national engineering socie-ties and under the direction of Major General Leonard Wood, revealed remarkable interest in the movement. Five thousand engineers applied for seats at every lecture. Capt. T. M. Robins, of the Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., the lecturer, declared that every engineer had to have mili-tary as well as technical training if he would be of greatest service to his country in the event of war.

A BETRAYAL

WHEN the United States took over the Philippines from Spain, paying

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\$20,000,000 for the privilege, it may have been a bad bargain. However that may be, we then assumed moral responsibility for the future of the Filipinos which cannot lightly be put aside. The proposal of the Democratic Congress to turn them adrift in 1921 is nothing less than a betrayal of trust. Indeed should the United States withdraw from the Archipelago, conditions would at once rival those in Mexico, for in addition to manifest incapacity for entire self-government and independence on the part of the various Filipino people, the wild Mohammedan Moro tribes, untamed by Spain and ready now to break loose as soon as our strong

prospects. The administration's most vulnerable point is found in its incredible blundering in the Mexican matter and the President realizes that he must do something to redeem himself. So the story runs that he sent his most inti-mate friend to sound the heads of the principal nations of Europe on a most astonishing proposition—namely that the United States should annex the northern part of Mexico and undertake to pay the claims of European governments arising from the loss of life and property among their nationals during the past four years of anarchy. Colonel House was charged with the task of estimating the amount of such claims. The United States

further would assist in the establishment of some government in the part of Mexico that would remain an independent republic. If this plan is acceptable to Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Spain, and Belgium, say the wise ones, we may expect a feeler to emanate from the White House in the general direction of the American voter. Just at the time this is being written the word comes from Washington that the Carranza regime is near-

ing an inglorious conclusion. This means fresh complications for a harassed administration at Washington. If it is really believed there that the Mexican strife is an irrepressible conflict between north and south, the annexation plan may be looked upon as hopeful. We can only await with interest developments that may confirm or disprove this astound-SINCE mer-

GEN. LEONARD

WOOD Who has arranged to have 5,000 engineers given a course of mil-itary lectures to fit

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memorial, have been armed for defense, notification by Germany and Austria that armed merchant-men of the Allies will be treated as war vessels after February 29th, as war vessels after rebruary 29th, creates one of the most acute issues of the war. The right of merchant-men to defensive armament has been asserted by the United States since 1793. A few weeks ago, how-ever, Secretary of State Lansing, in the name of humanity, suggested to the Entente Allies a modus to the Entente Allies a module vivendi, or "gentlemen's agreement," with the Teutonic powers calling for the disarmament of merchant vessels. Britain and unofficially that they will not agree

her allies have said unofficially that they will not agree to such a course, and their contention that the rules of war may not be thus changed while the war is in progress cannot be assailed. The German press hails the new declaration concerning submarine warfare with delight. The Frankfurter Zeitung considers the legal standpoint in the declaration to be "impregnable." Count von Reventlow, naval expert of the Tages Zeitung, expresses the hope that neutrals will recognize "the spirit of uprightness" in which the memorandum is issued. The Germania declares that the new order places England "on a pillory before the world," while the general view is that the government is mild in treating armed merchanturen as beliigerents, instead of as pirates. The London Times, on the other hand, heads treating armed merchantmen as belligerents, instead of as pirates. The London Times, on the other hand, heads its accounts of the order, "A New Plea For Piracy," and The Mail declares that it undoubtedly is Germany's long-threatened reprisal for the Faralong incident. Italy's reply to the order is a decision to arm its merchant vessels in the Atlantic trade with quick-firing guns. The Paris Temps declares guns of merchantmen "were their sole protection against murderous attacks since German promises have been shown to be valueless." The Dutch press condemns the new order, the Niews van den Dag arguing that if it means all allied merchantmen are to be torpedoed on the assumption that they are armed, then "all concessions which Germany has made to the United "all concessions which Germany has made to the United States are valueless.



ARE WE WISER NOW THAN IN 1877?

A scene in the streets of Baltimore, during the railroad stril of 1877, in which many lives were lost and millions of dollar worth of property destroyed. The strike was general as f West as Chicago. The country is now threatened with nation-wide strike of railroad employes, but it is to be hop that wise counsels will avert what would be a nation calamity

and is released, would sweep unchecked through the islands. We have been training the Filipinos in character and self-government ever since we occupied the islands, and our declared purpose from the beginning has been to withdraw whenever that training was complete and the Filipino people become fit to take a place among the family of nations. No one with knowledge of the facts can say of nations. No one with knowledge of the facts can say that will be in 1921. Hendrik Colijn, the famous Dutch statesman and greatest living expert in the government of Malay races, foresees disaster in the Philippines bill. Asked when he thought the Filipinos would be ready for complete self-government, Mr. Colijn replied, "No one can say how many years; fifty, a hundred, two hundred—who knows? But it will not be in 1921."

SHALL WE TAKE

AMONG people in a position to know the rumor persists that

VALUE OF

HALF OF MEXICO? the mysterious visit of Colonel
House to the capitals of Europe as
the personal emissary of President Wilson had more to
do with the Mexican question than with international
complications with the warring powers, or even with peace



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# WATCHING THE NATION'S BUSINESS

BY THOMAS F. LOGAN, LESLIE'S WEEKLY BUREAU, WASHINGTON, D. C.

SPEAKER CLARK
AS REAL LEADER

Clark, of Missouri, and Representative James R. Mann, of Illinois, the foundation has been laid for the national defense ogram. The greatest need of the navy, as well as of the army, is

for more officers. It is possible to train soldiers within six months, but it is not possible months, but it is not possible to train officers in less than three or four years. It was because of the lack of officers that Russia suffered such reverses at the beginning of the war and still suffers losses. It was because of her efficient officers that Germany tri-umphed so frequently. The rug-ged and eloquent Speaker of the House, realizing that more offi-cers were needed in any scheme LINDLEY M. for the enlargement of the navy and army, stepped down from the Speaker's chair, and made a GARRISON Who resigned his post as Secretary of War be-cause of the President's policy of ignoring his Cabinet members in im-portant matters.

cause of the President's the Speaker's Chair, and made a characteristic speech. Minority constraint matters. Leader Mann previously had appealed to the good sense of the House and the result of the joint efforts of the the House and the result of the joint efforts of the two leaders was the passage, by unanimous vote, of one bill to add 300 midshipmen to the entering classes at Annapolis, and of another to equip the Mare Island and New York Navy Yards for the construction of the two new battleships, Nos. 43 and 44, which are yet to be named. Mr. Clark said that he would likewise take part in the fight to make a similar addition to the cadets at West Point.

TARIFF COMMISSION
IS CERTAIN
Commission in some form or other. The House bill will be

materially changed in the Senate, but a commission of some sort will be established. It will be an investigating

HANKS to the patriotic leadership of Speaker Champ
Clark, of Missouri, and Repentative James R. Mann, of Illisen laid for the national defenseram. The greatest need of the key, as well as of the army, is

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with Garrison
Quit the Cabinet

\*\*Incompatibility of temperament" is the real reason for the separation of Secretary of War Lindley M. Garrison from Woodrow on. The fact that the President and Mr. Garrison

Wilson. The fact that the President and Mr. Garrison relied upon an exchange of notes in their efforts to reach a common ground indicates clearly that strained relations had continued for some time. Mr. Garrison was never invited to any of the conferences the President had with members of the military affairs committees of the Senate and House who opposed the "continental army" scheme. Former Secretary of State Bryan told some of his friends, after leaving the Cabinet, that the President never permitted the Secretary for a moment to lose sight of the fact that he was a subordinate. Most of the members of the Cabinet have felt the same sort of restraint. A public reason always must be assigned for the resignation of a Cabinet member, and the break over the "continental army" plan was labeled the cause in the present instance. Mr. Garrison felt that he was not an integral part of the Administration; that there did not

exist a compact advisory body of which he was a member and of which the President was the head.

ARMY AND NAVY THERE is no longer any doubt that

THERE is no longer any doubt that the present Congress will provide for improvements in the army and navy. There is most violent opposition among certain groups to any increases, but the overwhelming sentiment of Senate and House is for an improved army and navy. If the House Naval Affairs Committee reports less than two battleships and one battle cruiser, amendments will be offered to bring the House bill up to the recommendations of Secretary Daniels. These will be passed. While the House Military Affairs Committee has not definitely agreed upon the terms of its preparedness measures, in a general way it will provide for the following increases in the military establishment: Seven regiments of mobile field artillery; 10 regiments of infantry; corresponding increases in the aviation and engineering branches of the service, to balance out the present army; some increase of coast artillery; about 1,000 additional some increase of coast artillery; about 1,000 additional officers for use in training the enlarged

National Guard, for details to schools and academies where training is to be established and to be used as a basis for rapid expan-sion of the army in case of war; federalizing the of war; federalizing the National Guard; expand-ing it probably from its ing it probably from its present strength to 250,000 the first year; passage of the militia pay bill. The Garrison plan for national defense, which was ignored, was as follows: Ten regiments of infantry; four regiments of field artillery; 52 companies of coast artillery; 15 companies of engineers; four aero squadrons; present National Guard of 129,000 privileged to come into continental army; continental army of 400,000 men.



GEN. WM. CROZIER Chief of Ordnance, U.S. A., who recently told Congress that it would cost the country \$50,000,000 to build arms plants for impediate needs.

### BENCH? IS BRANDEIS FIT FOR THE

BY THOMAS F. LOGAN

AS the advocacy of popular causes by Louis D. Brandeis been merely a cloak whereby he has covered unprofessional practices which have netted him a large fortune? If this question is answered affirmatively, it is believed that a majority of the Senate will vote against the confirmation of Mr. Brandeis' nomination for the Supreme Court. That Brandeis will have more than a "square-deal" is evidenced by the fact that supporters of President Wilson counted more than a majority of Senators in his favor before a scintilla of evidence was produced against his professional conduct. The case against Brandeis is just opening. If he can dissipate the doubts which have been raised against his professional integrity, either by telling his personal story to the Senate Judiciary Committee, or by summoning witnesses, there is no possible prejudice that can operate against him. As a matter of plain fact, the prejudice is in his favor.

his favor.

In a matter of such vital importance to the actual liber-ties of all the people, a matter affecting the honor and in-tegrity of a man who has been nominated to be part of the court of last appeal, it is essential that the public should understand the issues involved.

### MR. BAILEY'S BON MOT

A. Lawrence Lowell, President of Harvard University, Charles Francis Adams, and more than fifty eminent citizens of Boston—men who would not make reckless or irresponsible charges—have certified to the United States Senate in a public petition over their signatures:

"We do not believe that Mr. Brandeis has the judicial temperament and capacity which should be required in a judge of the Supreme Court. His reputation as a lawyer is such that he has not the confidence of the people."

Other Boston lawyers, of equal high standing, are pre-pared to make similar statements to the Senate Committee if their opinion is asked.

Hollis R. Bailey, for 15 years chairman of the board of bar examiners in Boston, as a witness before the Senate Judiciary Committee, summed up what he believed to be the predominating opinion among Boston lawyers of Brandeis, in this fashion, when questioned by Senator Clark: Senator Clark: What is the general professional reputa-tion of Mr. Brandeis?

Mr. Bailey: First, that he is a very able lawyer; that he is a man of keen intellect; that he is an able advocate; that he is not entirely trustworthy. I think that about

Many witnesses have appeared before the sub-committee Many witnesses have appeared before the sub-committee of the Judiciary Committee which has been assigned to hear the evidence. These witnesses have included Clifford Thorne, chairman of the board of railroad commissioners, of Iowa; S. W. Winslow, President of the United Shoe Machinery Company; P. J. Lennox, professor of literature at the Catholic University, and many others.

### SPECIFIC CHARGES MADE

Some have related the circumstances of one case in which Brandeis has been accused; others have dealt with which Brandeis has been accused; others have dealt with more than one case. Clarence W. Barron, publisher of the Wall Street Journal, has testified to specific instances of unprofessional conduct on the part of Brandeis, or rather has called the attention of the Committee to the places where the documentary proofs can be obtained.

So that the public may understand the issues, the different cases which have been laid before the Senate Committee are briefly set forth. These are the charges as outlined by the privaces constituting the case against

mittee are briefly set forth. These are the charges as outlined by the witnesses, constituting the case against Brandeis before the Committee up to date.

Judgment should be withheld until Mr. Brandeis has had ample opportunity to meet his opponents and to answer the charges as his friends declare he will. The accusations as outlined by the opposition include the following:

First—In 1907, while acting as counsel for P. J. Lennox & Company, a firm of morocco manufacturers in Lynn, Mass., Brandeis obtained from the firm confidential information and used it against the firm several weeks later in bankruptcy proceedings which he commenced against the firm in behalf of hostile creditors.

Second—After publicly denouncing the Equitable Life

Assurance Society in 1905–6 for extravagance, mismanagement, wastefulness, corruption and fraud, and after accepting a retainer as counsel for the Protective Committee of Policy Holders of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and other retainers to advise policy holders respecting their interests as regarded the Society, Brandeis, in behalf of his firm, accepted several months later a retainer from the Equitable Life Assurance Society itself. In a policy holder's suit against the Society, based on the charges that Brandeis had made against the Society, Brandeis' firm, acting as attorneys for the Society in the suit.

Third—In 1893, while the New Haven Railroad was trying to strangle the New York & New England Railroad, a competing line, in order to absorb the property, Brandeis began ten strike suits against the New England, acting ostensibly as attorney for a firm of liquor dealers called N. F. Goldsmith and Company whom he secured as dummy clients for this purpose. Subsequent investigation by the Massachusetts Legislature, and the recent prosecution of New Haven directors by the Department of Justice, revealed that Brandeis actually was retained, employed, and naid the New New York interests.

revealed that Brandeis actually was retained, employed, and paid by Austin Corbin and other New York interests, who in turn were indemnified by certain directors of the New Haven, who were protected by the New Haven.

### EMPLOYED BY HARRIMAN

Fourth—In 1907, several months after Harriman's stock acquisitions in the Illinois Central and other railroads had acquisitions in the linnois Central and other lamodus har-been investigated and officially denounced by the Inter-state Commerce Commission, Brandeis, in behalf of his firm, accepted employment in the Harriman interest, and helped Harriman in his successful fight for control of the Illinois Central. Brandeis himself, meanwhile, continued to lead the attack upon the New Haven Railroad. Bran-deis has since variously denied and confessed his connection with Harriman. More recently, Brandeis has publicly denounced as criminal the same Harriman control of the Illinois Central which Brandeis himself successfully helped Harriman to perfect.

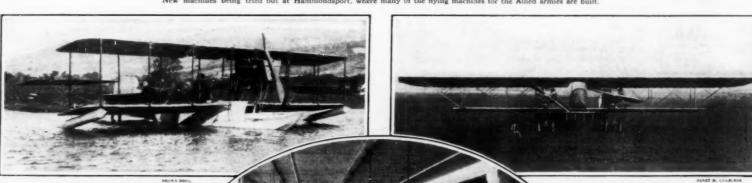
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# ARE WE ALL GOING TO FLY?

BY CHARLTON BATES STRAYER



AMERICAN AEROPLANES FOR EUROPEAN BATTLEFIELDS New machines being tried out at Ha s for the Allied armies are built.



A TRACTOR FLYING BOAT

ilt for Harold F. McCormick, an en-isiastic amateur aviator. It is pre-ted that within a few years aviation will be a general sport.

THE conquest of the air is the greatest material achievement in the world's history. With such amazing swiftness has the art of flying advanced during the past decade that in forecasting the man future the imagination must be en-listed. It is not idle to say that in listed. It is not idle to say that in a few years the aeroplane will be as commonly used as the automobile is now. In the rapidity of its development, and in a far more difficult field at that, the aeroplane has fairly run away from the automobile. This progress is largely the result of the war. A few years ago, a flight across the English Channei was an amazing feat, the aeroplane was the helpless victim of every fickle gust of wind, while the flight of an hour with a passenger aboard made a thriller for the headlines. The memorable trip across the channel by Miss Harriet Quimby of LESLE's staff, in 1912, the first channel flight by a woman alone, has not yet been duplicated.

"Less than a decade ago," says Señor Santos-Dumont, the Brazilian aviator and scientist, "my aeroplane was room for only one person, I used a 20-horsepower motor. My record flight was 12 miles, and I could carry only enough gasoline to fly three-quarters of an hour." Today

My record flight was 12 miles, and I could carry only enough gasoline to fly three-quarters of an hour." Today aeroplanes can carry 30 passengers, can fly over 24 hours without alighting, have ascended practically five miles, and between sunrise and sunset have traveled 1,300 miles. "We no longer," says M. Dumont, "fear wind or weather. The modern machine can brave any gale, and fly through a storm of any velocity. It can travel over mountains, forests and seas. The atmosphere is its ocean, and its posts are everywhere."

ports are everywhere."

Centuries ago Themistocles said: "He who commands the seas commands all." This Rear Admiral Robert E. the seas commands all." This Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary has amended to read: "He who commands the air commands all." Britain's command of the sea has given her the whip hand in this war, but the next great war will be fought in the air, and no man dare predict the outcome, even in this war, should the British and German fleets clash, with a fringe of submarines in the van of the attack, while Zeppelins and aeroplanes fill the sky over-

head and rain destruction on the boats below.

The first aeroplane flight was made in this country, and it is a matter of regret that we did not follow up the



small fittings are made for one of the bi-eds of airships of all sizes are being mad aerican factories—and they all go to Europe



MISS HARRIET QUIMBY In her biplane, ready for a flight. Miss Quimby was the first woman to fly alone across the English Channel

A RECENT BRITISH WAR PLANE This plane was built at Hendon for the army and is shown ready for its trial trips. It is one of the latest models of army

epoch-making achievements of the Wright Brothers. The genius of France then took hold of the idea and in a masterly manner led in its development, while the necessity of war has stimulated as great progress in 20 months as would have taken 20 years in time of peace. The United States is lamentably deficient both in the peaceful use of aeroplanes and in their employment for defensive pur-poses. The Wall Street Journal is auposes. The Wall Street Journal is authority for the statement that we are shipping as many aeroplanes to Europe every day as the whole United States army has in commission. The published estimates of the War and Navy Departments for next year call for less than 100 aeroplanes at a cost of \$2,000,000. The minimum number should be 2,000 and an expenditure of \$10,000,000 would still leave us behind Japan, the Netherlands and even Spain in aeronautical equipment. If we spent \$25,000,000, England, France, Germany and Russia would yet be ahead of us. We sent only two aerosia would yet be ahead of us. would yet be ahead of us. We sent only two aerosia would yet be ahead of us. We sent only two aeroplanes to the Mexican border because we had no more to spare. The navy must ever be the first line of defense of a country having so extensive a coast fine as the United States, but we need the aeroplane picket to provide, as Admiral Peary says, "a national burglar alarm around the entire country."

The peaceful uses of the aeroplane are just as significant as those of defense. An aerial coast matrol would be a

as those of defense. An aerial coast patrol would be a most valuable adjunct to the existing coast guard. The utilization of the aeroplane in the mail service offers unlimited possibilities. The thousands of aviators so employed would constitute an auxiliary for defense in time of war. The day ought not to be far distant when air lines shall connect North and South America. Claude Grahame-White predicts that in 20 years giant aeroplanes Graname-White predicts that in 20 years gaint aeropianes making 200 miles an hour will speed from New York to London in 15 hours. The next step will be around-the-world trips by air.

While all this is developing, the local uses of the

aeroplane will increase correspondingly. In ten years the flying machine will be as common as the auto-mobile to-day. Far-seeing automobile makers will soon the flying machine mobile to-day. Far-seeing automobile makers will soon be turning to the aeroplane, one of the largest concerns having already purchased a trying-out ground for flying machines. Travel in the future is to be through the air. kly

# FAVORITES OF THE NEW YORK STAGE



ELSIE FERGUSON In "Margaret Schil-ler" at the New Amsterdam. An excellent presentation of a part somewhat out of her usual line.



VALLI-VALLI In the Cohan Revue. She is a notable asset to a notable perform-ance at the Astor.



LYDIA LOPOKOVA In "Les Sylphides," Serg : de Diaghileff's Ballet. The bright star of the remarkable production which re-cently left the Century for a tour of the large cities.



As Lady Macbeth in Hackett's revival at the Criterion.



W to plays Jim Hawkins to perfec-tion in "Treasure Island" at the Punch & Judy



ATTRACTIONS TO WHICH YOU MAY SAFELY TAKE YOUR WIFE OR SISTER

Palace Playhouse Princess Punch & Judy Republic Shubert Vitagraph 30th Street

Maxine Elliott's

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Sybil Three-star cast in the funniest musical Buy in New York
The Great Lover Our Mrs. McChesney Ethel Barrywors in breazy comedy

MRS. FISER Scoring a success in "Erst Susan" at the Gaiety,

Harvard prize drama Viennese operetta tures Comedy of modern domestic scandals

New musical play by the componers of "High Jinks". Tense drama of life in the abstract.

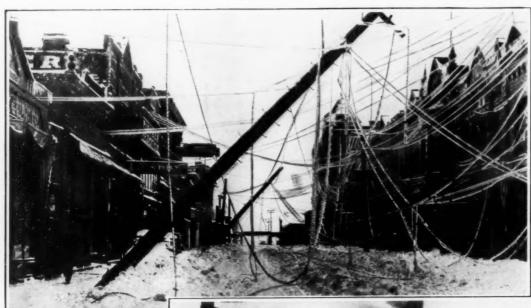
MAUDE ADAMS At the Empire, playing Barrie's

Melody of Youth Erstwhile Susan The Weavern Hit-the Trail Holiday Hip-Hip Hooray The Cinderella Man German stock company High-class moving pictur

HIGHEST - PRICED CHORUS GIRLS IN THE WORLD Eleanor St. Clair, Hazel Lewis, Marion Davies, and Evelyn Con-way in "Stop! Look! Listen!" at the Globe

Holson's Choice by Henry Arthur Holson's Choice Irresistible comedy of English life Uninteresting morality play With Viola Allen and James K. Hackett A laugh from beginning to end Maud Adams in one of her greatest hits Romanile Irish comedy With Emanuel Reicher Mrs. Fiske in a delightful American comedy With Emanuel Reicher Comedy With Emanuel Reicher Comedy With Emanuel Reicher Comedy With Emanuel Reicher Comedy Holson and Comedy Comedities in a delightful American comedy With Emanuel Reicher Comedities in the World Chaming little play of Let's Protend Land Deutches Theater

# PICTORIAL DIGEST





PACIFIC COAST IN BLIZZARD'S GRIP

BLIZZARD'S GRIP
The picture above shows Fourth and
Main Streets, Vancouver, Wash., after
the big snow and sleet storm early in
February. Telegraph and telephone
lines were broken down by the weight
of the snow and ice. This winter has
been the most severe in years along
the Pacific Coast. Vancouver rarely
has any snow at all.

### TWO MILLION-DOLLAR FIRE

TWO MILLION-DOLLAR FIRE.

Fall River, Mass., a prosperous manufacturing city, was devastated by a fire on February 16th that destroyed several blocks of the city, and caused a loss of over \$2,000,000. The picture to the right is of the ruins, looking toward city hall from South Main street. The fire started in a department store and for a time threatened to destroy the whole city. The firemen were nampered in their work by the severe cold.



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OHIO RIVER STEAMBOAT BOILER EXPLODES, KILLING ELEVEN

The tow boat Sam Brown, of Pittsburgh, after her boilers blew up in the Ohio River near Huntington, W. Va., on February 2d. She was a well-known boat in the coal

trade and carried a crew of 34, of whom 11 were killed. Parts of the boilers were hurled 1,500 feet by the force of the explosion. The cause of the disaster is not known.



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Holland, as we all know, is protected from the a by dykes walls of earth that hold back the waters by whing land. This winter severe storms drove the wa

# RECENT DISASTERS





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Victoria, B. C., situated on Vancouver Island, where winter, as a rule, brings no snow, was snow-bound for several days in February. As shown in the picture above, the streets were deep in snow. Huge drifts blockaded street cars, so that they had to be abandoned, and business was alsoost at a standstill for several days.



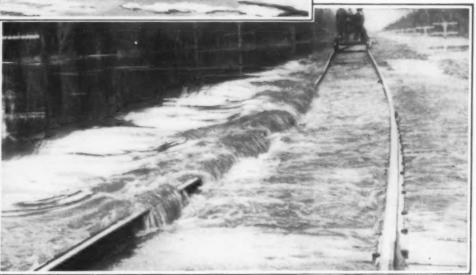
SHIPS BURNED AT THE DOCK
A fire of unknown origin destroyed the
three freighters Bolton Castle, Pacific
Castle and Bellagio on the morning of
February 16th, while lying at their
pier in Brooklyn. The ships were
loaded with war supplies for the Allies.
The report that the fire was started
by German spies has been officially
denied. The pier and 30 lighters were
burned as well as the ships, entailing
a loss of almost \$5,000,000. Several
Asiatic sailors lost their lives.



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in many places, and only greatest efforts saved vast areas from tion. The drawing shows the island of Marken, a well-resort, while bracketed. Seventeen lives were lost there.



ARKANSAS RIVER GETS OUT OF BOUNDS WITH FATAL RESULTS

A view along the Iron Mountain railroad near Newport, Ark., during the February floods which raised the Arkan-as River far above the danger line. In the widespread

floods 29 people lost their lives and the damage mounted into hundreds of thousands of dollars. At intervals the river is held in its course by levees, many of which broke.



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# WAR'S HAND ON YPRES

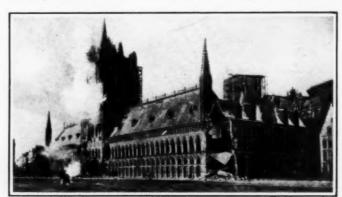
BY DR. WILLIAM ALDERSON



THE CLOTH HALL BEFORE THE WAR
be one of the most beautiful buildings in Europe, and was rich in
gend and filled with beautiful sntiques and objects of art.

TO one familiar with the glorious antiquities of Belgium and Northern France destroyed in the various bombardments, there is something infinitely pathetic about war's utter destruction of the beautiful old cathedrals, churches and public buildings. Hundreds of edifices that were a priceless inheritance from past ages have been, or are now being, pounded to dust.

destroyed in the various combardments, but a few were saved by heroic civic officials of Ypres during the first bombardment (November, 1914), who managed to rescue some of the paintings and books. Since its erection the flags of practically every nation of Europe have flown from its



This took place early in November, 1914, and the historic structure was badly damaged by shells and fire, without, however, losing its majesty of outline.

The fate of the Cloth Hall at Ypres is | tower at one time and another. During the representative of what has been going on for more than a year and a half in one of the richest parts of Europe—richest in art different periods rested within its walls. heirlooms as well as in modern activities.

It was my lot to watch the disintegration of the Cloth Hall under German shells, until it was a heap of battered fragments.

After passing through the vicissitudes of centuries of warfare it remained for modern guns to demolish the structure. Today there is nothing left of the building but a



ONLY THE WALLS AND TOWERS LEFT second bombardment, on November 22, 1914, battered parts of the walls es and fire swept the structure from end to end, removing the roof. Since thrmittent shelling has reduced walls and towers to a formless mass of debr

The Cloth Hall of Ypres was one of the small portion of the main tower and ragmost picturesque and celebrated buildings of Europe. Work was commenced upon it in 1330 and it was completed in 1380. It was the largest building of its kind in Western Europe and contained many beautiful frescoes, paintings and statues by the old masters of Flemish, Dutch, French and

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### IS BRANDEIS FIT FOR THE BENCH?

Fifth—After organizing with others the United Shoe Machinery Company, in 1899, and serving the Company for years in the confidential capacities of counsel and director, during which period he helped frame the company's system of leases and defended the company and its leases against attack in the Massachusetts Legislature, Brandeis accepted a retainer from the enemies of the company, and put out an opinion denouncing as oppressive and unlawful the very leases which he had drawn, and in behalf of his new clients publicly attacked the com pany before Congress and in numerous ads and magazine articles.

### THE WARREN CASE

Sixth—While counsel for Samuel D. Warren (Brandeis' former law partner) as trustee of the Warren estate, and for certain beneficiaries of the Warren estate, and for Samuel D. Warren individually and as member of a firm having large business dealings with the estate, Brandeis so far favored Samuel D. Warren's individual and firm interest, as against the interests of the estate and the beneficiaries, that Samuel D. Warren, who acted throughout in implicit reliance upon Brandeis' advice, was obliged to refund approximately \$1,750,000 to relatives, who, though supposedly under the protection of Brandeis, as trustee had been kept in ignorance of what was going on.

Seventh—In the Ballinger case, Brandeis represented himself to the Investigating Committee and to the public to be counsel for L. R. Glavis, an ex-official of the General Land Office, and for nobody else. In fact, Brandeis was employed throughout by a prominent publisher, who paid him for his services approximately \$30,000, and for his disbursements and expenses approximately

\$20,000 more.

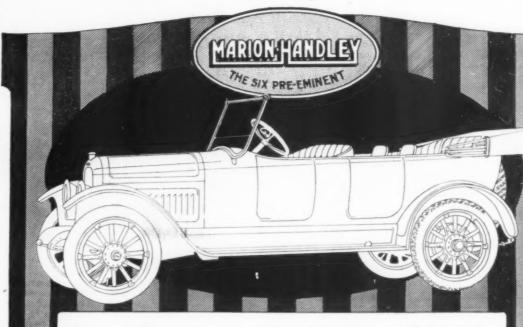
Eighth—In the character of a public-pirited citizen, Brandeis appeared before spirited citizen, Brandeis appeared before the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce and attacked the United Shoe Ma-chinery Company and its methods. Though his remarks occupied three hearings, he failed to disclose to the Committee that he was then under retainer as counsel for the Shoe Manufacturers' Alliance, the purpose of which was "to secure a change in the methods now pursued by the United Shoe Machinery Company." Not until this fact was brought to the attention of the Committee in a letter from the president of the company did Brandeis admit that he had acted as counsel for the Shoe Manufacturers'

### MADE DAMAGING ADMISSION

Ninth—In the Five Per Cent. Rate Case -according to Clifford Thorne, chairman of the State Board of Railroad Commis-sioners of Iowa, who represented in the case eight Western States and several large associations of shippers, Brandeis sought and obtained the confidence of the shippers' counsel upon his representations that he and they should make no admission regarding the financial need of the railroads. Having obtained by these means the real, if not the nominal character of spokesman for the shipping public, he proceeded, at the very close of the case, and without warning to the shippers' counsel, to make the very admis sion which he and they had agreed should never be made. This admission, according never be made. This admission, according to Thorne, gave away the chief point in a contest involving approximately \$100,000,000 a year. Thomas C. Spelling, counsel for one of the shipping associations, supports Thorne's charge with further particulars and declares that Brandeis' admission nullified the rule regarding "burden of proof" which Congress had just previously enacted into law for the express protection of the into law for the express protection of the shipping public.

This is an outline of the charges and the

Senate Committee can be depended upon to sift them to a fair conclusion. Its disposition seems favorable to Mr. Brandeis.



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they said: "You can't use genuine

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They said: "You can't use the gen-

uine long grain bright finish leather."
They said: "You can't build into a car, at this price, all of the style and snappiness demanded by the purchasers of high grade seven-passenger cars."
And they kept on coining "can'ts"

and shooting them at me until they had me wavering for a moment.

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# LESLIE'S TRAVEL BUREAU

EDITOR'S NOTE—This department will give specific information to LESLIE'S readers who are planning to travel at home or abroad. Correspondents are requested to state definitely their destination and time at which the proposed trip is to be made. This will facilitate the work of this bureau. Stamps for reply should be enclosed. Address Editor Travel Bureau, LESLIE'S WEEKLY, 225 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

# OH, YOU NEW ORLEANS!

The Northern days are bitter,—So let us Southward flitter,—(Oh, you New Orleans!)
To where the breeze is gentle,
A trip transcontinental,
Expense quite incidental,—
(Oh, you New Orleans!)

The Northern nights are freezing, But Southern nights are pleasing, (Oh, you New Orleans!) The maids are wondrous dashing, With eyes forever flashing, Come, let us go a mashing, (Oh, you New Orleans!)

The Northern life is wearing,
The South is nerve-repairing,
(Oh, you New Orleans!)
My theme in brief I'm summing,
Into your souls now drumming,
The Mardi Gras is coming,—
(Oh, you New Orleans!)

# COURTESY AND THE TRAVELER

ONE can paraphrase the old, familiar adage and say, with truth, that "courtesy is its own reward." It always pays to be polite. Nowhere is courtesy have had his troubles, but ought not one of more appreciated or needed than in the world of travel. Railroad and steamship lines should make "courtesy" as familiar a watchword as "safety." Some of the leading roads have already inaugurated vigorous courtesy campaigns by distributing pamphlets on the subject, by displaying posters in conspicuous places and giving talks to their employees on the value of the posters in conspicuous places and giving talks to their employees on the value of the soft word and kind act.

soft word and kind act.

The traveler looks for courteous treatment from the ticket agent, the conductor, the porter and other attendants one meets in a journey. Usually he finds it, though of course there are exceptions. A station agent who helped a busy lawyer locate a client in a small town was promoted for his act when it was reported, attendants of the ill, and feeble have been courtewely. the ill and feeble have been courteously assisted by train men, who have been remembered for it la, r, conductors have paid the fares of stranded passengers and their courtesy was not forgotten. I know of two cases where railroad trains have been held up and schedules disregarded while the stork paid an unexpected visit to a frightened woman traveler. Too often courtesies are overlooked and complaints are made too readily. Many letters are received complaining of inattention when traveling. One of the interesting ones, strong in individuality, comes from a lady who had a delightful trip from Seattle to St.

Another correspondent complains of inattention and lack of knowledge on the part of the attendants at the information bureaus at the big railroad terminals. These inadvertencies can most always be attributed to the carelessness or inefficiency of employees rather than to the railroads, which seek to be informed of any inattention and take effective steps to avoid a repetition of the offense. Some recent complaints of one of my readers were transmitted by me to the Pullman Company and their reply will be interesting, showing, as it does, how every effort is being made to please the traveling public:

"The criticism of your contributor as to the height of the towel racks and hooks is being looked into to see if it is possible to improve this condition. It will be impossible to make the hooks in the body of the sleeping cars lower on account of the berth clearance, but it may be possible to make them lower in the toilet rooms. The push button system for getting water has been abandoned in favor of levers, but there are who had a delightful trip from Seattle to St. Paul, but who said "there was one fly in the ointment." We quote her words:

"When we left Everett I noticed a remarkable snow-capped mountain and was eager to know its name. I asked the conductor, but he gruffly replied that he did not know. Then I applied to the Pullman porter and he immediately brought me some booklets with illustrations that gave me the desired information. I wonder why conductors are not more uniformly

abandoned in favor of levers, but there are so many cars with the push buttons that these will be in service for a long time to come. As to the complaint about the doors. It is very difficult to get a substantial steel door that is not heavy, and further it is necessary to have a strong closing spring to keep the door from blowing open when not properly closed. This is a fault which will be hard to rectify. It may be of interest to know that we have a Committee (Continued on page 265)

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THE Turkoman comes from the Turkes tan—beyond the Caspian, away over in Asia, and he probably looks and dresses just as he did when the "Golden Horde" swept over Eastern Russia some 700 years

I edged in among a camp of them, down in Bessarabia while sketching along the Russian battle front, where they were squatting on the ground or tirelessly polishing the handsome coats of their Arab horses tied at safe distances from each other, Fascinated by their rich costumes, gigantic busbies and engraved and jewelled arms, I began to sketch. I had scarcely made a stroke when an enormous mahogany-colored warrior, who previously had seemed to pay no attention to me, leaped to his feet with his hand at his vicious looking dagger, and began to pull at my arm and utter very ominous and unpleasant sounds. I pro-tested in my best English that what I was doing could harm no one, when two more of the highly colored rascals, both dangerously well armed, it seemed to me, bore down on me and the three of them prodded me, protesting, away. Fortunately, we ran into their colonel down the road. He knew who I was and with his only arm, warned his zealous minions away and apologized, at the same time telling them that I was to be allowed to sketch. So I returned to camp with my late captors who insisted by signs that I draw their portraits. The entire troop wanted to be drawn then and I made a large number of simplified sketches which were regarded critically and passed about and kept.

## TRAVEL BUREAU

(Continued from page 264)

on Standards which is at work constantly I think that you will agree with me that we have done much in the last few years and I hope we will be able to do much more in the future." in the future.

I agree with the Pullman Company, and with the knowledge of traveling conditions abroad and at home, and after having seen "America First" pretty thoroughly, I must acknowledge that the dining car service, the sleepers and facilities generally on our trains and steamers are ahead of those of any other country. But it is true that the employees of our railroads are not as polite as they are abroad, excepting perhaps the porters, who do not regard their service as beneath them and are therefore willing to do their best to make every passenger comfortable. Of course they receive tips, but conductors would not accept them. One never found a conductor on a foreign train who was above accepting a gratuity. Considering the low wages they receive perhaps they should be pardoned.

On the other hand, too frequently the

traveler is apt to be discourteous when hurried or worried and often complains with little cause and is unappreciative of with fittle cause and is unappreciative of many small attentions. A pleasant "Thank you," and a genial smile can be as readily appreciated by the railroad or steamship attendant as by the traveler himself.

attendant as by the traveler himself.

G. W. R., Fort Atkinson, Wis.: I doubt if anyone can give you definite information about a six weeks' tour of the countries in Europe now at war. There are no regular train schedules and rate sheets available. Unless you can give some very legitimate reason for touring those countries, the government will not issue a passport. Regulations are getting stricter every day.

J. I., Cloveland, Ohio: Nearly all the large castern lines have apecial winter rates to points south, which include New Orleans during the Mardi Gras season. All the principal tourist agencies and many of the smaller ones are making special tours to the Carnival, which takes place the first week in March. Round-trip rate Cleveland to New Orleans via Cincinnati and Louisville, \$44.89. Bookiet mailed.

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L. C. B., Augusta, Ga.: Bernuda is reached by steamer from New York only. Sallings three times a week. Rates from \$25 up for the round trip. including meals and berth. United States alien tax, \$3 additional. Passports are necessary, as Bermuda is a British possession. American currency is accepted throughout the Islands at face value. Am mailing guide book issued by the Bermuda Trade Development Board, full of interesting information for the tourist. It contains a complete list of hotels, boarding houses and rates.



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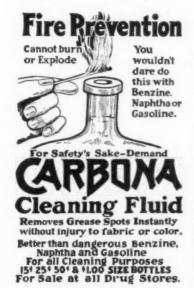
Now the truth of the matter is, that these motor car manufacturers could "save" money by selecting one of many other tires.

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the way to the opera, to Sherry's, to the best music, the prettiest frocks, the newest motors, the most amusing costume balls, and the most sinister cabarets. New York is her oyster. Observe her sunny smile, her wayward curls, her bold, bright eyes. The red wheels of the hansoms on eyes. The red wheels of the nansoms on Fifth Avenue are not more bright than her carmine lips. The gleaming façade of St. Patrick's Cathedral is not more white than is her pretty, powdered nose. Muriel is, in short, an eight-cylinder girl.

### Five of the 1,000 Secrets

How many quarts of champagne 00 men will drink at a fancy dress ance at Sherry's.

ance at Sherry's.

2 How to enter an opera box without embarrassment, and leave it without stumbling.

3 How, at a Broadway cabaret, to tell a lady from a chorus girl.

4 What scrapes the Freudian the-ory of dreams can get a good girl into.

5 How to get into the Domino room at Bustanoby's after three A. M.

BUT, reader, perhaps you will ask: "Who is Muriel's little Bird?" Well, that's an easy one. The little bird is only a symbol. Its real name is Vanity Fair—a magazine published monthly at 25 cents a copy or \$3 a year. It is a mirror of American life, original and picturesque; informal, personal, intimate, frivolous, unconventional, but with a point of view at once wholesome. with a point of view at once wholesome, stimulating and refreshing.

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# BELGIUM THE KEYSTONE

BY MARTIN MARSHALL

A MONG the many curious specula A MONG the many curious specula-tions as to the probability of an early end to the European war none are more interesting than that which contemplates the making of a separate peace between Belgium and Germany. Vague, unofficial hints have been thrown out that Berlin would gladly evacuate Belgium, return the war levies wrung from the unhappy Belgians and even contribute something toward the restoration of the ruined towns, Belgium would only guarantee that her territory would remain neutral and that the French and British would not be allowed agitator, saying that he incites his people Germany

These reports are confirmed by the action of the allied governments in re-newing their pledge to restore Belgium to its former political and economic independence. Notification was given to the government of Belgium at the war capital, Havre, by the representatives of Russia, Great Britain, and France, while Italy and Japan, who were not signatories to the treaty guaranteeing the independence and neutrality of Belgium gave assent. is King Albert's re ward for refusing to entertain the Ger-man offer of a sepa-rate peace. At the same time a report comes from Washcomes from Wash-ington that Germany will hereafter con-duct a defensive war and not attempt any further territorial

through Belgium.

conquests. cannot be denied that a separate peace at this time would the western front and releasing perhaps half a million men for use elsewhere. Corre-spondingly it would be a detriment to the Allies by eliminating the most vulnerable part of Germany's lines and withdrawing about 120,000 Belgians veterans from the Allies' forces. It would make the much-talked-of decisive action on the western front extremely improbable. It would give back to France most of her conquered territory and would remove the menace against Great Britain of the Belgian seaports in the hands of a powerful rival. It would take away Great Britain's leading pretext for entering the war and might open the way for that country and France to make peace with Germany.

### GERMANY VS. BRITAIN

Those who predict such an outcome must however, not forget that the neutrality of Belgium was only the pretext for Great Britain's intervention. The war is really and primarily between Germany and Britain and its cause is economic. Great Britain doesn't want peace until her enemy Britain doesn't want peace until her enemy is crippled, and Germany wants to hurt Britain as much as possible before the end of the conflict. It would be a great diplomatic triumph for Berlin to detach one or more of Britain's allies-but London will not allow Belgium to quit the Allies. It is even conceivable that if Belgium did make a separate peace England and France would attack Germany through her territory on the ground that she had been a traitor to her obligations and deserved no consideration. Itement depends upon which side wins.

The Vatican is making every effort to get in touch with the governments of the warring nations with the intention of proposing peace when the right moment arrives. Austria and Belgium are the two countries of Europe most dear to the pope, and the recent visit of Cardinal Mercier, of Belgium, to Rome undoubtedly had to do with suggestions of peace. That the car-dinal's attitude was not satisfactory to if Germany is indicated by the attacks the

> against their querors. The pope is also concerned about the fate of Austria, the fact being that that coun-try is nearing total exhaustion.

Not much is heard about a separate peace between Ger-Russia. many and That was a favorite theme of specula-tion a few months ago, but the evi-dences that Russia is coming back after-her series of defeats last summer is so pronounced that the German General Staff must be anxious about the spring campaign in the east. Russia is said to have 6,000,000 men in training and expects
to have them all
by spring. One
American firm is
making 2,000,000
rifles for the Russian



SMASHED BY SHELLS ns of a modern concrete fort after a few high explosives had fallen on it.

### TURKEY CAN'T QUIT

Rumots that Tur-

key and Bulgaria are wearying of war come from London and do be favorable to Belgium from a material not deserve much credence—that is, so far standpoint. It also would help Germany in a military way by shortening her lines on concerned. Having cast their lots with the Central empires and being of no particular use to the Allies as independent states they use to the Allies as independent states they can hope for nothing unless their side is victorious. It is impossible for them to get out now. Rumania is showing signs of restlessness as spring approaches, but, unless Russia wins something approaching a decisive success, will doubtless be able to restrain her desire to join in the

> What report to President Wilson Colonel House will make when he returns from Europe is a deep and mysterious secret; but it is no secret that one of the subjects he will report on is the probable reception of an offer of mediation from the President. Germany, having the best of the situation dermany, having the best of the situation at present and seeing her enemies growing in strength, might be kindly disposed; but Great Britain, France and Russia give no indication of being in a mood to listen to anything but terms of their own making, which would doubtless be too drastic for the Central energies to consider. the Central empires to consider.

No official or inspired reports from these governments indicate what terms they might propose. In private circles it is talked that Germany's sea power must be restricted and that Belgium's independence restricted and that Belgium's independence must be restored and the nation indemnified for the damage done it. What the Allies hope to do with Turkey and Bulgaria is probably not clear to themselves at this time. Serbia, of course, must be rehabili-tated if they have their way. A lot of problems remain to be settled and the set-tlement decends upon which side wins



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AN UNDERGROUND CHURCH

EDITOR'S NOTE: - This little sketch, from one of our highly esteemed photographers of the Great War, is of especial interest as showing how the French peasants cling to their homes even under the fire of the enemy. It is another of those curious side-lights on this terrible conflict that have such a fascination for all of us.

IN the past 18 months we have been in, probably, 200 different towns or villages, but the most peculiar of all was the little town of P——. It was less than 2,000 shattered church and school buildings had yards from the German lines, yet the served to scantily furnish the cave. The civilians still live in unconcern with which

the town, though not always in their houses. A steephouses. A steep-sided, horseshoe-shaped hill encloses the little valley in which the town lies, and the toe of the shoe is toward the German lines. Threequarters of the way up the side of the ridge is an outcropoing of limestone, in which are many natural caves. The houses are built just in front of the caves, and the latter are used as stables, wine cellars and gran-aries. The brow of the hill is the site of a second line trench. so that the caves are occupied by troops and artillery horses. The civilians, however, refuse to be crowded out.

We were in this sector only a week, but during that time the town was shelled every day, usually for half an hour between noon and four in the afternoon. At the sound of the first shell the troops and the women would all

the people of this village looked upon the ravages of war would have been a great surprise to me if I had not seen similar evidences of fortitude in so many other

I have seen, frequently, peasants till-ing their fields not only within the sound of guns, but actually within range, and occasionally a shell would splash in the plowed ground, or drop among the growing corn. These folk cling to their homes because they love them and also because their hearts are strong. A more undaunted people would be hard to find. When it is necessary to remove them from farms or villages because of military necessities they go reluctantly, and protesting that they have no fear of the "Boche" shells. The women are as courageous as the

them in villages that

take to the caves and wait until the bom-bardment was over. More dangerous than at the falling of the first shell and coming the bombard-shells were the balles perdues or stray bullets that spattered into the town. The best cook that our company ever had fell victim to one of them.

This constant shelling had demolished the church, schoolhouse and many of the



AN AMERICAN HERO

Edgar Bouligny, of New Orleans, a soldier in the French Foreign Legion, between the cave entrances. Bouligny has been twice wounded, the second time seriously, and twice promoted, beaides having been cited in the orders for distinguished conduct.



ENTRANCES TO THE CAVES WHERE SCHOOL AND CHURCH ARE helters the village children pursue their studies under the ut I mistress, and there on Sundays the village priest reads the Neither shells nor bullets can force the villagers to abando

dwellings of the town, but the parish priest moved both church and school into one of the caves, and there the children learned their lessons on week days, and on Sundays gathered with their elders for the soldiers, who spend freely the money that is sent them from home.

Truly the French are a great people, and worthy of the army they have created, and which has so ably defended them.



the advantage of military training to young men of college age. The proposition to in-troduce military drill in the public schools, however, will not pass without being chal-lenged. Assemblyman Clarence F. Welsh of Albany has introduced in the New York Legislature a bill to provide instruction in physical training and in military sci-ence in the schools of the State. Superin-tendent of Education Finley characterizes

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INDIAN WOMEN OF PERU

Even the lower classes use imported goods and the markets are now bare of supplies of every kind

GERMANY, France, England, Austria, Belgium and Italy, as is well known, supplied the great majority of manufactured articles used throughout the world. When the European war started but few thought it possible that it would continue so long and COTTON GOODS WANTED the possible that it would continue so long and fewer still felt that ships would become so scarce. Merchants in Africa, Asia and Latin-America took advantage of the situa-tion only to the extent of raising the prices on their stocks of goods of European manufacture. None thought of hoarding their supplies. As a consequence unheard-of prices are now being offered for all classes necessities and luxuries

### BUYERS FROM EVERYWHERE

Within the past week I have had call upon me business men from Argentina, Brazil, Spain, Nicaragua, South Africa, China and India. They have money and are here to buy goods on the most advantageous terms. All of them speak of the great prosperity An of them speak of the great prosperity which their countries are experiencing. One of these gentlemen deposited with a New York bank \$400,000 and expects to spend this, and more too if advisable, for goods suitable for his market. Two of the largest department stores in Buenos Aires and Santing have account regular effects here for the tiago have opened regular offices here for the purchasing of goods. This demonstrates conclusively that the United States is to get a good share of their patronage in the future. One of these firms is financed by English

capital and the other by French.

The buyers who are coming here now are anxious to purchase every line of goods. Drugs, household goods, clothes, wooden-ware, cottons, woolens, shoes, underwear, socks, farming machinery, tools, instru-ments, rubber tires, wagons and automo-biles are in demand. To give some idea how completely the markets abroad are stripped of wares I mention a few specific items: The supplies of cotton and other spool

threads are practically exhausted. buyer from Buenos Aires said that doubted if there was enough thread in

doubted if there was enough thread in the stores to last the town two weeks. Perfumes, tooth powders, cosmetics and soaps were supplied largely from France. The Latin-American is a heavy user and prefers them of the best quality, and strongly scented. A large trade can be developed in this line alone and it is worthy of serious consideration. These articles are carried by druggists, millinery stores, bazaars, out-fitters and department stores. They should of supply is cut off. One off the leading merbe put up in attractive and profusely deco-rated packages. One American firm making

### COTTON GOODS WANTED

Cotton goods are in demand everywhere Despite the fact that Japan has practically captured the cotton goods trade of China and some other near-by portions of Asia, the markets of Africa and Latin-America are still

open to our manufacturers.

Merchants of Africa and Latin-America
are experiencing great difficulty in obtaining
new supplies of glassware and crockery. Tumblers, wine glasses, and lamp shades are at a premium. A merchant from Boma, Africa, told me that he sells in ordinary times 150 dozen of drinking glasses per month. Glassware of this kind is so scarce month. Glassware of this kind is so scarce that families of the better class are now using gourds and home-made earthenware pots and cups. The cause of the scarcity of such articles is the carelessness of the native servant. Lamp chimneys are at a decided premium, and it is only possible to secure one by purchasing a lamp. Single-burner acetylene lamps, which were formerly a drug on the market, are now being sold. Buttons, as we all know, were exported by Germany. Supplies everywhere are now

Germany. Supplies everywhere are now exhausted. All kinds from the highest grade to the cheapest are in demand. Inasnuch as in most countries of Latin-America duties are charged on the gross weight, the cardboard to which buttons are attached

should be as light as possible.

Toys are as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth, and the few made by Switzerland cannot get to market. The mechanical toys manufactured in the United States would meet with universal approval.

### STEEL FURNITURE IN DEMAND

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# BOMBARD PARIS

BY JAMES H. HARE

Paris, January 31st.

WHAT a relief it was to reach Paris after the strenuous time at Saloniki, and how good the food in the clean and dainty restaurants tasted! What a delight it was to see clean people and clean homes again! And the calm and confidence of Paris was certainly a relief after eight days of zigzagging at sea to dodge the submarines. I felt so at peace with all the world on my first night in Paris that I reconsidered my resolve to go to a cinema show, when I found that Charlie Chaplin was the bill, and went

to my room to write letters.

But what noise is that? "Joy riders" in a motor car shouting as they rush along the street? I had not heard such a thing in all of my many visits to Paris since the war began and my surprise at such bad taste in a city where every heart is saddened by the losses of the war, was great. And then came the housekeeper to tell me to turn out the electric light. "Oh, monsieur, didn't you hear the pompiers (firemen) shout 'gardes rous?" It is a warning that the rounding are coming." ppelins are coming.

In a few minutes the report came that the zeppelins were overhead and then came the zeppelins were overnead and their came the crash of the bombs—some large if one may judge from the reports, and others much smaller. The people were urged to go to their homes for safety, but in common with everybody else I took to the street to see what I might. It is a question whether the er is greater inside a building or out— the fragments of shrapnel always to be reckoned with in the street. Many people e hurt by pieces of French shells.

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I suspected that the attack might be aimed at the Eiffel tower, and hurried to the Place de la Concorde to get a view of it. As the trees obstructed my view I continued to the bridge over the Seine, making my way by the grace of providence through the splendid plaza though it was in total darkness and thronged with automobiles and taxis, all, it seemed to me, driving with rockless speed. reckless speed.

From the bridge the scene was wonderful. Many searchlights were sweeping the sky for the enemy and the most powerful of all came from the Eiffel tower. Once in awhile it would pick up one of the French planes, but so far as I could see not once did the lights reveal a glimpse of the zeppelin. We were told afterward that it was over the city only about three minutes, and that the light mist in the air made it impossible to see it. About a dozen bombs were dropped, mostly on the poorer residential sections of the city, and while 36 persons were killed and about as many injured, there was no military advantage achieved by the raid. One bomb fell on a main avenue—I may not One bomb fell on a main avenue—I may give its name—and crashed through pavement into the subway below. I gained entrance to the subway the next day, and learned that when the debris was removed the tracks were found intact. The police would not, however, allow me to make photographs in the subway. It was difficult to get pictures of the damage on the top of the earth, as the police were erratic in their treatment of camera artists. Sometimes they let one work, but more often stopped him with demands for permits and threats

I saw enough of the damage, however, to make sure that the raid was fruitless so far as injuring any of the military works of the city was concerned. Many of the victims were women and children, as usual, and only a few soldiers, home on leave, were killed or wounded. We have had two further attempts by the zeppelins, but both have been frustrated by the defending avions. My admiration for these splendid, red-blooded, young flying men has no bounds. Every man who takes the chances involved in going up in the darkness after a zeppelin is, in my estimation, a hero whether he is successful or not. I saw enough of the damage, however, to is successful or not.



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IT is hard to make some people think, while others are thinking all the time. For years I have tried to impress up n my For years I have tried to impress up n my readers the fact that the prosperity of the railroads meant the prosperity of the whole country. I was struck by the extraordinary statement made, some time ago, by a leading railroad official to the effect that if the railroads were prosperous they would spend a billion dollars a year for five continuous years because of the need of

replacements, repairs and extensions.

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roads have ordered 12,300 freight cars, against only 2600 during January of 1915, and they are now negotiating for 16,000 more cars. The Pullman Company has just taken back 1,000 of its former employees, laid off because of the lack of orders. This brings the Pullman employees up again to more than 9,000.

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It was a delight to read that 250,000

workers employed by the United States Steel Corporation were to receive an ad-

to break asunder.

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be given a fair chance and a square deal.

The day of the buster and smasher has gone by. The railways and the corporations have been taught their lesson. They made nave been taught their lesson. They made mistakes and they did wrong. So does everybody. So do you, my Reader, but let us forgive and forget and start anew in this year of God's grace, mercy and bounty. I wish that we all could appreciate the blessings we have—our exemption from the property of the country of the countr

war with its horrors and hardships, our land of plenty as well as of peace, our oppor tunities for education and advancen our full dinner pails and full pay envelopes, our splendid public school system, our public libraries, and the bountiful philanthro-pies so generously provided by men of

Let us not be envious of others. Let us Let us not be envious of others. Let us be content with what we have. Let us never forget that nothing is gained by strife and discontent. Extend the helping hand, speak a word of encouragement, stand for the common prosperity of all the people and thank a beneficent Providence for the

rich heritage it has given us all.

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ountry before.
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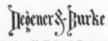
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F., Rochester: Tennessee Copper is said to have earned 25 per cent. In 1915, with larger earnings expected this year, both on copper and sulphuric acid. The latter is one of the company's important products. I would not sacrifice the stock.

K., Washington, Ind.: Diamond Match in the last few years has lost its strong position as an industrial issue. Dividends and earnings have shrunk. It has to meet foreign competition and will meet more unless the policy of protection is maintained.

W. E., Macon: What you have heard about the orthwestern Mutual having approximately \$100,000,000 invested in farm mortgages is correct. Other companies have for years had very large amounts invested in this class securities. They give safety, steady yield, and high yield.

M., Mt. Holly, N. J.: Chicago & Great Western declared a dividend of 1 per cent. but it is not certain that this will be done every quarter. Earnings are hardly equal to a 4 per cent. yearly disbursement. The stock would not sell at present price were it on a safe 4 per cent. basis.

L. I., Minneapolis: It is a very good plan for an investor not to "put all his eggs into one basket." Diversify your investments by putting part of your funds into industrial or railroad bonds, city real estate bonds, and farm mortgages not directly related to the community in which you already have so much invested.

W., Cheyney, P. B.: Southern Railroad 4's are good but semi-speculative. Western Md. R. R. 4's are well regarded as a business man's investment.

but semi-speculative. Western Md. R. R. well regarded as a business man's investment Central R. R. is owned by the Minneapolis & uits R. R. Co., which has paid no dividends as. If the Iowa Central 4's were considered would sell higher.

Set. 10018 R. R. CO., which has plane considered safe they would sell higher.

D. Indiana, Pa.: Crucible Steel's earnings in 1915 were not extraordinary, though they were an improvement on the previous year. Only the directors can tell when back dividends will be paid. Virginia Chemical common is a fair speculation around \$50, as the company's business is good. American Car & Foundry common is decidedly speculative at its present price.

P. B., Loz Angeles: If you do not have most of your investments locally, you can hardly do better than to invest in your own local California street improvement bonds, on which you can net 7 per cent. If you desire diversification, you can get a high yield, with safety, in Middle Western farm mortgages or city real estate bonds. They yield 5 per cent. to 6 per cent.

M., Pocahontas, Va.: American Railway Co. Preferred pays 7 per cent. and the common also pays a dividend. The pfd. is a fair investment for a business man. Wilmington & Philadelphia Traction Co. 5 per cent. first maye, bonds are a fairly safe investment, as only a small amount has so far been issued and the company pays 6 per cent. on its pfd.

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Traction Co. 5 per cent. first mige, bonds are a fairly safe investment, as only a small amount has so far been issued and the company pays 6 per cent. on its pfd.

M. Mechanicstown, Ohio: It is unfortunate that Ohio Oil has lately been boomed by unreliable parties, and its price advanced to high figures. It is a prosperous company of the Standard Oil Group and is paying good dividends, but unless it increases its dividends the price is high enough. It is an extravagant statement that it will advance to \$1,000 this year.

P. Albany, N. Y.: 1. The outlook for People's Gas indicates a reduction of the dividend of 6 per cent. Some of the heavy holders solid out a year ago. This carries its own suggestion. 2. United Clear Stores has never been regarded as an investment. It is in a highly competitive field. The pfd. has a good margin of safety. The company is well managed and the common is a fair speculation. G., Hudson, N. Y.: DeSoto Oil & Development Co. has not reached such standing as to be mentioned in the statistical books or to have its stock listed on the exchanges. Nothing is known of it on Wall Street. There is a general tendency to organize combinations in any line of business that is particularly prosperous, as the oil business is at present, and their merits should always be carefully inquired into.

B., Glen Campbell, Pa.: Coal Land Securities Co. and Lackawanna Coal & Lumber Co. belong to the group in the organization of which T. J. Foster was the moving spirit. With the other companies these two were involved in his financial difficulties. They are so insecure that I cannot advise you to put any more money in them. The securities of the two companies are extremely low—Coal Lands at 25c and Lackawanna Coal & Lumber 6's at only 5 per cent. of their face value.

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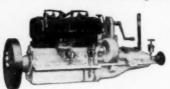
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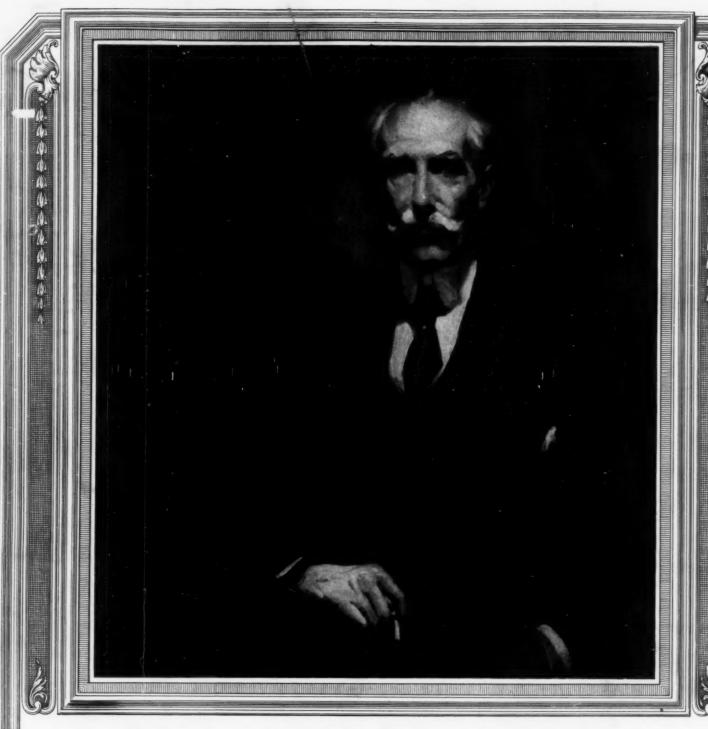
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